



Chapter 3: Existing Resources

3.0 Existing Parks and Recreation System

The first step in the development of the comprehensive plan was the identification of existing arts, recreation, parks and open space resources within the planning area. This section provides an inventory and overview of the existing public and private developed parks, trails, and recreational facilities. Areas have been grouped into City of Wenatchee parks, habitat and natural areas, facilities art and recreational program resources, followed by other public resources and finally private resources available in the planning area.

3.1 Description of City Owned Facilities

The City of Wenatchee owns and operates 21 public parks and recreation areas totaling 1,023.66 acres.

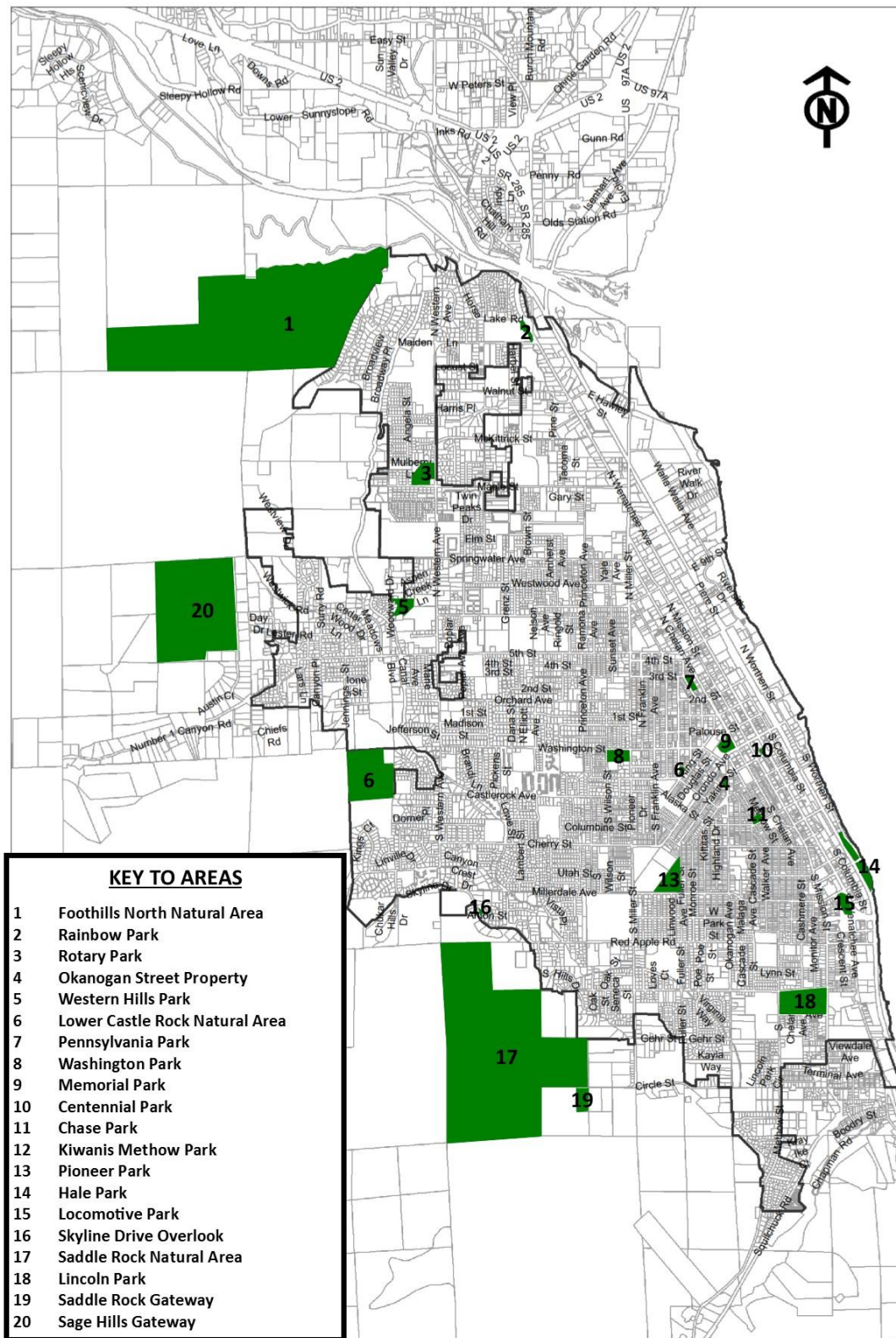
The most effective park system is composed of a variety of parks, each designed to provide a specific type of recreation experience or opportunity. When classified and used properly they are easier to maintain, satisfy needs, create less conflict between user groups, and have less impact on adjoining neighbors. Parks range in size and classification from small neighborhood parks to large natural open spaces. The following section contains detailed descriptions of the City owned parks and recreation facilities by classification type.

Table 3.1: Existing City Parks and Open Spaces Summary

PARK CLASSIFICATION TYPE	ACRES
Neighborhood Parks	12.62
Community Parks	68.64
Regional Parks	325.12
Natural Open Spaces	558.35
Special Use Areas	55.41
Total All Park Areas	1,020.12



Figure 3.1: Existing City Park and Recreation Facilities



3.1.1 Neighborhood Parks

Ideally, neighborhood parks will be distributed equally throughout the community to serve citizens close to home. They are small in size and used for non-supervised or organized neighborhood recreational activities. Park visitors should not be required to cross major arterials to access a neighborhood park. Typically a neighborhood park accommodates a variety of activities including children's playground, seasonal wading pools, picnicking, open grass for passive use, outdoor basketball courts and can include multi-use sports fields for soccer and youth baseball.

Table 3.1.1: Neighborhood Parks

NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS	ACRES
Centennial Park	0.41
Chase Park	0.52
Kiwanis - Methow Park	1.26
Okanogan Street Park	0.29
Pennsylvania Park	1.02
Washington Park	4.12
Western Hills Park	5.00
Total Neighborhood Parks	12.62

The following are descriptions of City of Wenatchee owned Neighborhood Parks. Additional information may be found in the Capital Investment Plan Appendices of this plan.

Centennial Park

Location: 130 South Wenatchee Avenue

Size: 0.41 Acres

Site Description: A partnership between the Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center, Chelan County and the City led to the development the park space. The Wenatchee Downtown Association later added restrooms through a community fundraising campaign. The Wenatchee area Rotary Clubs added the stage. The park was transferred to the City by Chelan County on November 2, 2015.

Existing Facilities: Existing facilities include a restroom, stage, grass "amphitheater" and public art.



Chase Park

Location: 145 South Delaware Street

Size: 0.52 acres

Site Description: In 1909, Mable Chase donated her former home site for the .52 acre park. The park is generally flat and located on a triangular shaped parcel. In 2010 a master plan was created for the park through a public involvement process. A copy of the plan is included in the back of this document.



Existing Facilities: Existing facilities include a children's play area, picnic tables, shade trees and an open grassy area.

Kiwanis - Methow Park

Location: 420 Methow Street

Size: 1.26 acres

Site Description: The park has been the beneficiary of multi-year renovations through community projects of the Wenatchee Kiwanis. The club has provided new lighting, playground, and fencing, upgraded the basketball court, and installed a micro-soccer field and picnic shelter.

The play equipment was replaced in 2009 through the receipt of a CDBG Grant. In 2015, the Trust for Public Lands adopted the park and began a two year long process to update the master plan for the park. The project received State grant funding in 2016 and is scheduled for implementation in 2019.



Existing Facilities: Existing facilities include: Children's play equipment, seasonal wading pool, basketball court, U-6 soccer field, picnic shelter and shade trees.

Okanogan Street Park

Location: 214 Okanogan Avenue

Size: 0.29 acres

Site Description: The Okanogan Park site was acquired on September 18, 2015 through the use of the City General Fund and CDBG grant. It is a small, slightly sloping triangular shaped parcel. The property has not been formally named and a master plan not yet created for the site.



Existing Facilities: The property is currently vacant land.

Pennsylvania Park

Location: 219 Pennsylvania Avenue

Size: 1.02 acres

Site Description: Pennsylvania Park was acquired in 1924. It is a long, narrow rectangular parcel. The park has two distinct flat terraces.



Existing Facilities: The park contains a seasonal wading pool, restrooms, shade trees, children's play area, picnic tables and multi-use field. The play equipment was replaced in 2009 through the receipt of a CDBG grant. The restroom was constructed and artwork was added to the wading pool in 2015. Picnic tables and safety fencing were installed in 2016.

Washington Park

Location: 110 South Miller Street

Size: 4.12 acres

Site Description: Washington Park was acquired on August 12, 1946. The park is a popular destination for picnicking and is a host site for the Summer Park Wading Pool Program. Through a partnership with the Kiwanis Club and the use of grant funding, the picnic shelter was replaced in 2016.



Existing Facilities: The park features a seasonal wading pool, restrooms, play area, picnic shelter, open field and shade trees.

Western Hills Park

Location: 900 Woodward Drive

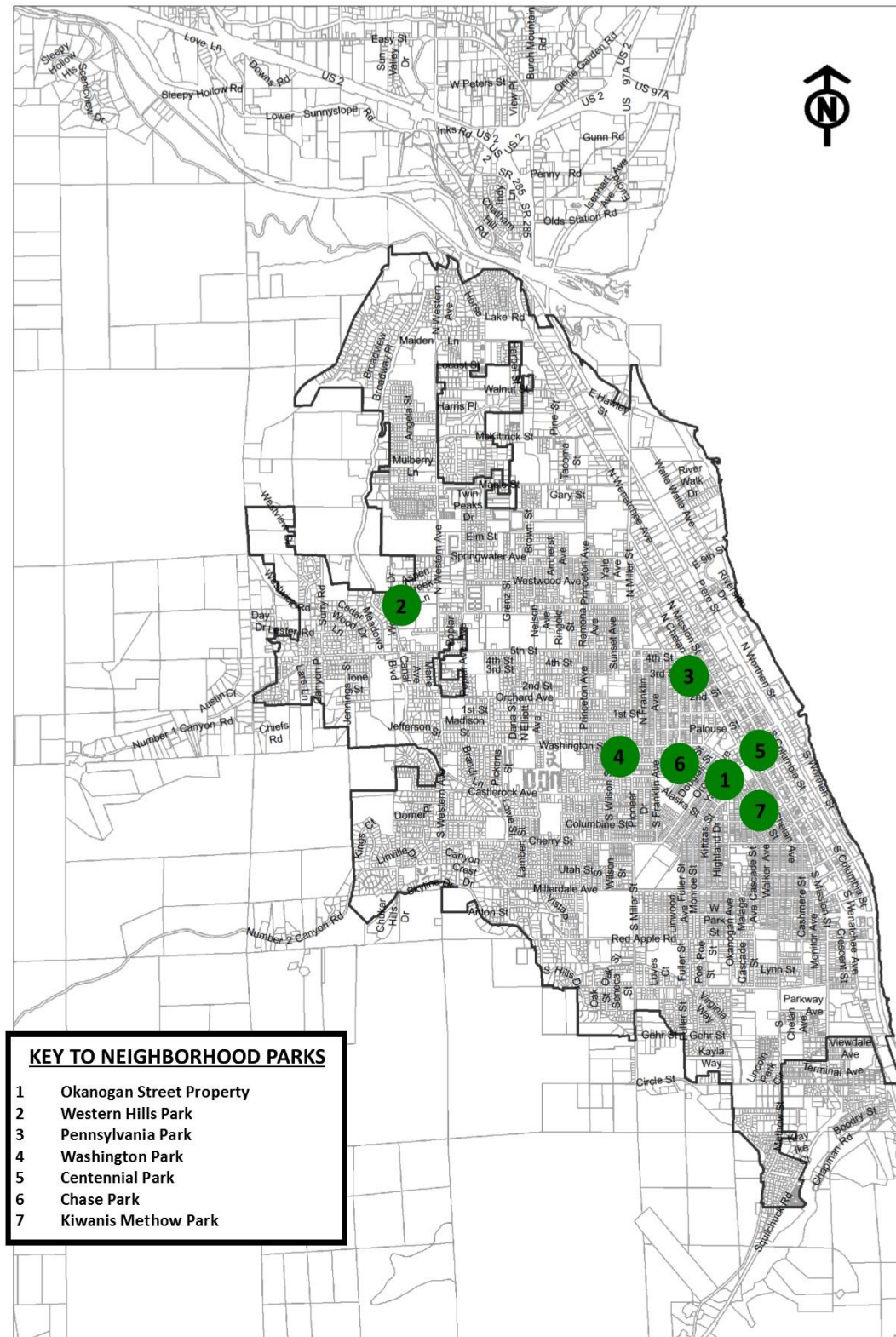
Size: 5.00 acres

Site Description: Western Hills Park adjoins John Newberry Elementary School and is an extension of the school play fields. It is a flat grassy open space. The park was acquired from the Wenatchee School District on October 29, 1993.



Existing Facilities: Open turf area and backstop.

Figure 3.1.1: Existing Neighborhood Parks



3.1.2 Community Parks

Community Parks are moderately sized urban parks designed to serve as a focal point for community-wide activities and, as such are intended to provide either the facilities or intensity of activities that are appropriate in the community where noise, lighting and vehicular traffic are appropriate for the neighborhood. Community Parks often include one specific use or focal point that makes them special.

Table 3.1.2: Community Parks

COMMUNITY PARKS	
Hale Park	4.97
Lincoln Park	18.48
Memorial Park	3.80
Pioneer Park	7.00
Rotary Park	8.00
Riverfront Park	26.39
Total Community Parks	68.64

The following are descriptions of City of Wenatchee owned Community Parks. Additional information may be found in the Capital Investment Plan worksheet section of this document.

Hale Park

Location: 720 South Worthen Street

Size: 4.97 Acres

Site Description: Hale Park was donated to the City on July 2, 2013. The property is generally flat with little to no vegetation. It is bordered by the Apple Capital Recreational Loop Trail, Columbia River and Burlington Northern railroad tracks and is bisected by the Reclamation District bridge.

Existing Facilities: Following a park design process, successful application for State funding was received for development. Phase one construction was completed in 2017 and included the dog off leash recreation area, parking and an open grassy area. Phase two is scheduled for construction in 2018-19 and will include: restrooms, skate park, play area, picnic shelter, security cameras and landscaping.



Lincoln Park

Location: 1410 South Mission Street

Size: 18.48 Acres

Site Description: Lincoln Park was acquired on July 20, 1945. It is constructed over a reclaimed landfill which creates ground settling issues. The park was constructed through funding received from State IAC/RCO grants in 1969, 1971, 1999 and 2003. It was renovated in 2017.



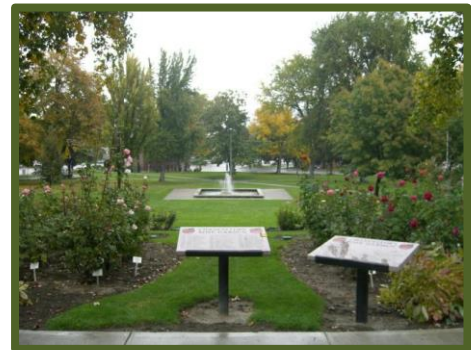
Existing Facilities: The park contains: Two regulation size little league baseball fields, one T-ball field, a picnic shelter, an open field used for informal soccer practice, a stage/restroom, and children's playground. Wenatchee Youth Baseball and Wenatchee Fall Ball have long term facility use agreements for use of the fields and concession operations during the playing seasons. The picnic shelter and stage were renovated in 2017.

Memorial Park

Location: 2 South Wenatchee Avenue

Size: 3.80 acres

Site Description: Memorial Park is the oldest park in Wenatchee. It was acquired during the years 1892, 1922 and 1929. It is centrally located in the community and is adjacent to the Chelan County Courthouse, Wenatchee Library and Apple Blossom Festival Offices.



Existing Facilities: The park is a low impact open space with historical and commemorative markers and public art. It also features a rose garden and plaza with a Civil War era cannon. The tree filled park also contains the "Mayor's Fountain" and walking paths. A process to update the master plan for the park was completed in 2015.

Pioneer Park

Location: 220 Fuller Street

Size: 7.00 acres

Site Description: Pioneer Park is a large and generally flat open space with mature trees. It borders Pioneer Middle School and the Apple Bowl. It is part of a larger recreation and education complex.



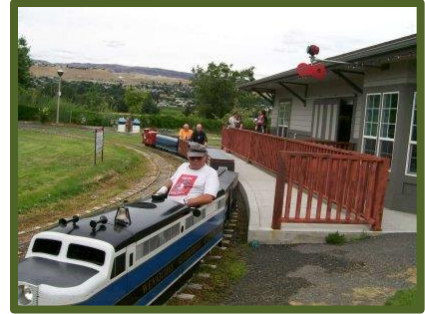
Existing Facilities: The park features a BBQ and picnic area, concrete skate area, children's play equipment, restroom, shade trees, and outdoor 10 lane 50-meter swimming pool.

Riverfront Park

Location: 501 Fifth Street

Size: 26.39 acres

Site Description: Riverfront park is a portion of the Apple Capital Recreation Loop Trail. It blends into Linden Tree and Walla Walla Point Parks. It is owned by the City of Wenatchee and operated by the Chelan County PUD. The railroad is operated by the Wenatchee Riverfront Railway and Navigation Association.



Existing Facilities: Miniature railroad, portion of the Apple Capital Recreation Loop Trail, shade trees, boat launch, restrooms and parking.

Rotary Park

Location: 1810 Maple Street

Size: 8.00 acres

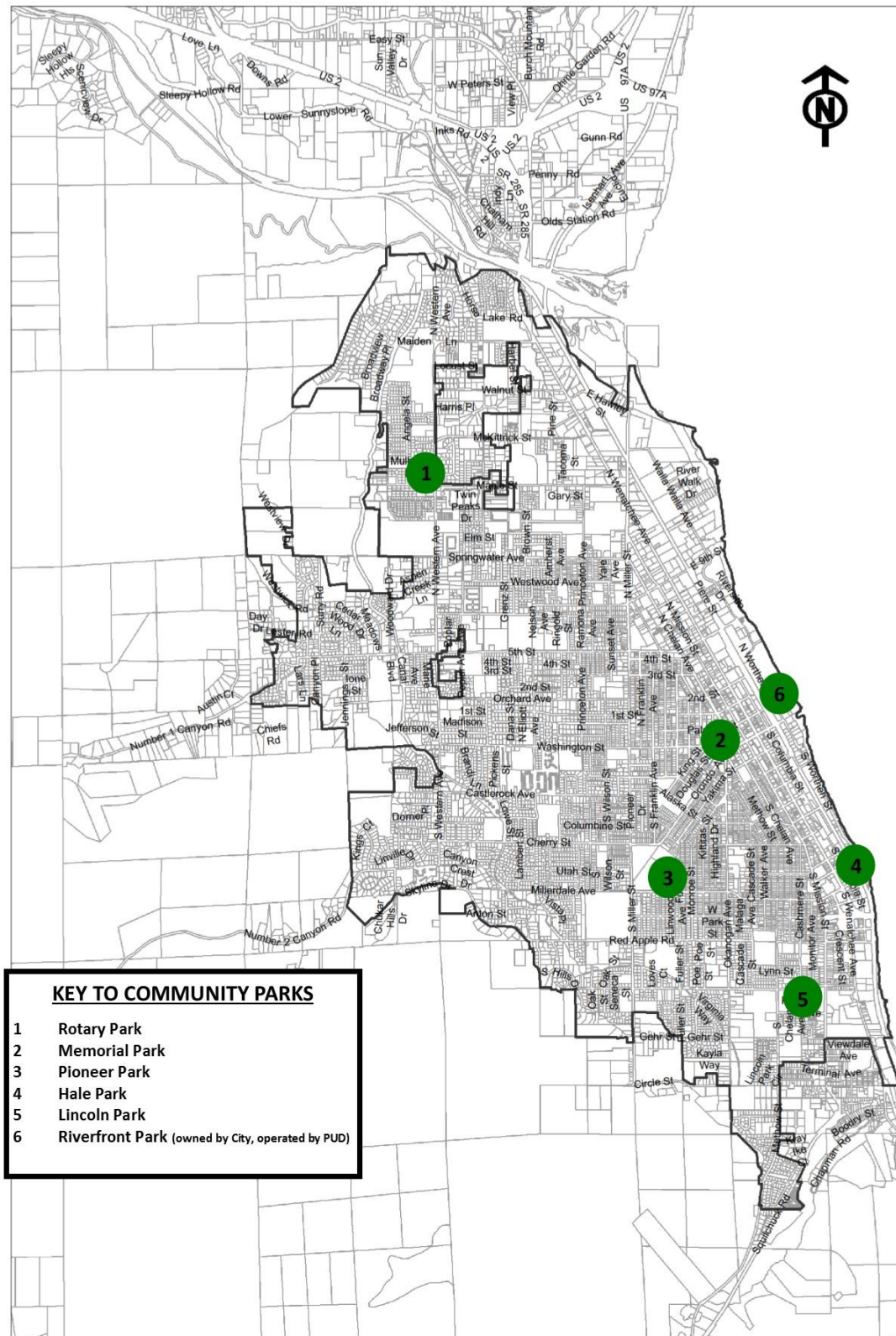
Site Description: Rotary Park was acquired in November 6, 1997. It was previously known as Crocker Park. Development of the sloping site was completed from 2006-2008 through the collaborative efforts of the City of Wenatchee and the Rotary Club. The park was partially funded through the receipt of RCO grants.

Existing Facilities:

The park contains: Restrooms, splash pad, flag plaza, horse shoe pits, picnic shelters, basketball court, play equipment, walking trail, open grass areas and disc golf course.



Figure 3.1.2: Existing Community Parks



3.1.3 Regional Parks

Regional Parks are recreational areas that serve the city and beyond. They are large in size with special features that are unique to the area. Typically, they serve regional resources and focus on active and passive recreation, regional trails systems, and access to statewide waters for camping, fishing, hiking, boating, and picnicking and in some cases golf.

Saddle Rock Natural Area

Location: 1200 Circle Street

Size: 325.12 acres

Site Description: The Saddle Rock Natural Area was acquired by the City of Wenatchee on July 13, 2011 through the receipt of a State of Washington Recreation Conservation office grant and local donations raised by the Chelan Douglas Land Trust. It is the most heavily used outdoor recreation and outdoor education area in the Wenatchee foothills



with tens of thousands of visitors annually. The site has a varied topography that ranges from steep cliffs to rolling hills. It is a great example of volcanic intrusion showing the highly eroded neck of an ancient, extinct volcano. The property is situated between the arid shrub-steppe desert and the wetter pine/fir forests. Plant and animal species from both ecosystems share this area, creating a unique ecosystem.

Existing Facilities: The park contains miles of hiking trails and shrub steppe habitat. An approximately 1.5 mile long crushed rock surface main trail leads from the Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area up 1,500 feet to the top. There are stunning views of the Wenatchee valley and Columbia River from the summit. The main trail was refurbished in 2017 to improve drainage. Work is underway to add benches and environmental learning stations along the trail.

3.1.4 Special Use Areas

Special Use Areas are public recreation facilities used for a special purpose such as city gateways, cultural activities, historic facilities, or specialized recreation.

Table 3.1.4: Special Use Areas

SPECIAL USE AREAS	ACRES
Castle Rock Trailhead	0.00
Locomotive Park	15.00
Rainbow Park	1.23
Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area	4.68
Skyline Drive Overlook	0.50
Wenatchee Cemetery	34.00
Total Special Use Areas	55.41

The following are descriptions of City of Wenatchee owned Special Use Areas. Additional information may be found in the Capital Investment Plan worksheet section of this document.

Castle Rock Trailhead

Location: 1963 castle Rock Avenue

Size: 0.00 acres

Site Description: The trailhead was developed in 2014 by the Chelan Douglas Land Trust. The trailhead is located on the Lower Castle Rock Natural Area.



Existing Facilities: The trailhead features a composting restroom interpretive sign, picnic shelter with three tables and minimal parking.

Locomotive Park

Location: 1100 South Wenatchee Avenue

Size: 15.00 acres

Site Description: Locomotive Park was acquired on January 1, 1951 and developed in part by the Department of Transportation in connection with construction of the State Route 285 interchange. It is generally flat with mature landscaping.

Existing Facilities: Locomotive Park contains a historic locomotive display that is maintained by the Wenatchee Historical Society, shade trees and parking area. Pathways, parking and landscaping were renovated in 2014 as part of the George Sellar Bridge Project. Picnic tables were added in 2017.



Rainbow Park

Location: 1411 North Wenatchee Avenue

Size: 1.23 acres

Site Description: The property is a long narrow strip adjacent to North Wenatchee Avenue. The property was dedicated to the City on September 7, 1999 for the placement of the entry art.



Existing Facilities: Grass, trees and entry portal artwork.

Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area

Location: 1201 Circle Street

Size: 4.68 acres

Site Description: The Saddle Rock Gateway and Outdoor Education Area is a gently sloping property adjacent to the base of Saddle Rock at the terminus of Circle Street. The property was acquired on June 24, 2015.

Existing Facilities: The first phase of construction of the property was completed in 2017 with funding provided in part by the City of Wenatchee, Lowes Foundation Grant, Chelan Douglas Land Trust, Alcoa Foundation Grant, Recreation Conservation Office Grant and private donations. The gateway features parking for 83 vehicles and van accessible spots, an electrical vehicle charging station, bicycle parking, water stations, picnic shelters, restrooms, interpretive signs and amphitheater.



Skyline Drive Overlook

Location: 1536 Skyline Drive

Size: 0.50 acres

Site Description: This site is a small parking area located on Skyline Drive in South Wenatchee. It affords sweeping views of the City and Columbia River. The property was added to the park system in 2010.



Existing Facilities: Parking area, trash receptacles.

Wenatchee Cemetery

Location: 1804 North Western Avenue
Size: 34 acres
Existing Facilities: The cemetery features historical markers and mausoleums.



3.1.5 Natural Areas

Natural open space can vary in function and size, and defined as land or water left primarily in its natural state with recreation uses as a secondary objective. A network of natural open space can be comprised of wetlands, habitat areas, steep hillsides, or similar spaces. Sites are usually owned by a government agency and may or may not have public access. In some cases, environmentally sensitive areas are considered as open space while in other cases they protect and provide for placement of a unique feature.

Table 3.1.5: Natural Open Space Areas

NATURAL OPEN SPACES	ACRES
Foothills North Natural Area	383.00
Lower Castle Rock Natural Area	36.82
Sage Hills Natural Area	138.53
Total Natural Open Spaces	558.35

The following are descriptions of City of Wenatchee owned Natural Open Space Areas. Additional information may be found in the Capital Investment Plan worksheet section of this document.

Foothills North Natural Area

Location: 1895 Horselake Road
Size: 383.00 acres

Site Description: The properties that compose the Foothills North Natural Area were acquired by the City of Wenatchee on February 27, 2015. They adjoin the Sage Hills trail system and were acquired through funding assistance from a State of Washington Recreation Conservation office grant and donation by the Chelan Douglas Land Trust. The property is managed similar to Sage Hills with seasonal closures to protect wintering Mule Deer and other sensitive populations.

Existing Facilities: Pristine shrub steppe habitat.

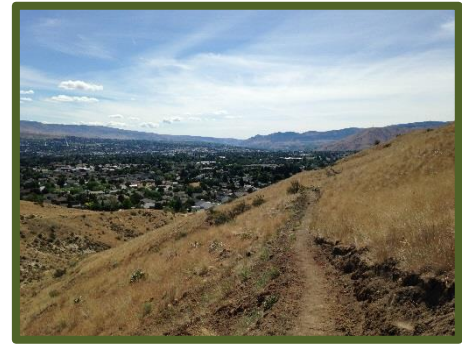


Lower Castle Rock Natural Area

Location: 1963 Castle Rock Avenue

Size: 36.82 acres

Site Description: The Lower Castle Rock Natural Area was acquired by the City of Wenatchee on March 18, 2014 through the receipt of a State of Washington Recreation Conservation office grant and local donations raised by the Chelan Douglas Land Trust.



Existing Facilities: The property features shrub steppe habitat, grasses, seasonal wildflowers and a loop trail that is moderately steep in places. A small trailhead is located on the property.

Sage Hills Natural Area

Location: Lester Road north terminus

Size: 138.53 acres

Site Description: The Sage Hills Gateway provides an important north-south trail corridor to the Horse Lake Reserve. The area is closed to public access from December 1 to April 1 to protect wintering mule deer. With grant funding assistance from a State of Washington Recreation Conservation office grant, and project partners, the Chelan Douglas Land Trust and Trust For Public Lands, the property was acquired on March 1, 2017.



Existing Facilities: Shrub steppe habitat and trail.

3.1.6 Trails and Pathways

Trails and pathways are designed to provide walking, bicycling and other non-motorized recreational opportunities. By providing linkages to other areas and facilities, they also allow non-vehicular options for travel throughout the community.

Trails

Primary Trails are intended for multiple uses, are accessible wherever possible, and are located conveniently to connect several community facilities. Secondary trails provide access for bicyclists, pedestrians, and equestrians, and are located to connect community facilities or neighborhoods or to provide access to primary trails.

Pathways

Improved pathways are informal connections through or between neighborhoods, and are appropriate for pedestrian, equestrian, or off-road bicycle use. Unimproved pathways are pedestrian routes of variable width dictated by natural features and use. Equestrian pathways are typically a 6 foot wide, soft surface path consisting of native soil material and overhead clearance.



Table 3.1.6: Trails and Pathways

TRAILS and PATHWAYS	MILES
Trails	2.59
Pathways	5.89
Total Trails and Pathways	12.08

3.1.7 Specialized Recreation Facilities

There are a number of city owned specialized recreational facilities located within the City of Wenatchee. Many of these facilities are contained within one of the park classifications. Table 3.1.7 provides a summary of the recreation facilities.



Table 3.1.7: Specialized Recreational Facilities

RECREATION FACILITY	NUMBER
Children's Play Area	7
Picnic Area	11
Water Play Area	4
Stage	2
Outdoor Basketball Hoops	4
Horseshoe Pitch	2
Disc Golf Course	1
Soccer Field	4
Youth Baseball Field	3
Outdoor Swimming Pool	1
Off Leash Recreation Area	1
Skate Area (spot, dot, area)	1
Historical Display	2

3.2 Non City Parks, Natural Areas and Recreation Facilities

There are a number of other public agencies and private businesses that provide recreational opportunities to their guests, members or the general public. Areas range from the Morris Little League Complex and Apple Capital Recreation Trail to private fitness centers. This inventory does not include facilities that are owned by individual homeowners such as swimming pools or home basketball courts. Some of the more frequently visited non-City parks and facilities include:

Dry Gulch Preserve. This 700 acre area is located adjacent to Saddle Rock. It is privately owned by Appleatchee Riders. Trail use is allowed through a conservation easement held by the Chelan Douglas Land Trust. In 2016, Appleatchee began closing the area to public access from December 1 to April 1 to protect wintering mule deer.

Jacobson Preserve (pictured at right). This area is owned and managed by the Chelan Douglas Land Trust. The area provides hiker-only trails.

Linden Tree Park. Linden Tree Park is owned and operated by the Chelan County Public Utility District. The park area contains a boat dock constructed specifically for non-motorized water craft which provides direct access to the Columbia River and shoreline areas.

Castle Rock. Owned and maintained by a private landowner, this area provides informal trails and access to the foothills for foot traffic only.

Orondo Street Boat Launch and dock. The boat launch is owned and operated by the Chelan County Public Utility District. With grant funding assistance from a State of Washington Recreation Conservation office grant, a boat dock was constructed in 2010. This is a primary access point for water related recreation and access to shoreline habitat areas.



Sage Hills Trails. The Sage Hills system is composed of a mix of private and public land ownerships for habitat and outdoor recreation purposes. This area provides an important north-south trail corridor to the Homewater Preserve and Horse Lake trails. The area is closed to public access from December 1 to April 1 to protect wintering mule deer. With grant funding assistance from a State of Washington Recreation Conservation office grant, a trailhead was constructed in 2008 at Day Drive.



Public Utility District Homewater Wildlife Preserve. Chelan Public Utilities District's Home Water Wildlife Preserve(960 acres) is in the heart of the Sage Hills. It exists to meet the winter-range needs of mule deer. While the area is open to the public for non-motorized recreational use a portion of the year, its primary purpose is to serve the needs of wildlife. It is closed to all uses from December 1 to April 1. The Chelan Douglas Land Trust and City of Wenatchee work closely with the Public Utility District to manage recreational use occurring the properties, observing the same seasonal closures and closing unnecessary trails.

Walla Walla Point Park. Walla Walla Point Park is owned and operated by the Chelan County Public Utility District. It is one of the most visited developed parks in the Wenatchee Valley. The swimming beach provides a water access point for non-motorized water craft such as paddle boards and kayaks which is used to visit the Horan Natural Area and other shoreline habitats. The park also features softball and soccer fields, restrooms, play area, art, and handball, basketball and tennis courts.



Located on Cherry Street, **Morris Little League Park** features four, fully-functional baseball diamonds complete with scoreboards, fences, dugouts, grandstands and a concession stand. It's owned and operated by Wenatchee Youth Baseball and was improved through the receipt of an RCO grant.

The 97-acre **Horan Natural Area**, is located south of the Wenatchee River in the north east portion of the planning area. It is managed by the Chelan County PUD and is an important riparian habitat area.

Horse Lake Reserve. Owned and managed by the Chelan Douglas Land Trust, this area is open to the public through a public easement. It is closed



December 1-April 1 to protect wintering mule deer. With grant funding assistance from a State of Washington Recreation Conservation office grant, a trailhead was constructed in 2008 at Horse Lake.

Confluence State Park. Confluence Park is owned by the Chelan County Public Utility District but managed by Washington State Parks. It is north of the Wenatchee River and provides a boat launch for water access. It is located adjacent to the Horan Natural Area and provides direct trail access to riparian areas. The area requires fees to use. The park features camping, picnic areas and children's play equipment.

Table 3.2 Non-City Park and Recreation Areas and Facilities

PARK CLASSIFICATION TYPE	OTHER PUBLIC ACRES	SEMI PUBLIC/PRIVATE ACRES
NEIGHBORHOOD PARK		
Wenatchee Racquet and Athletic Club	0	18.41
Sunrise Park	0	1.56
Broadview Park	0	1.80
Lewis and Clark Park	9.25	0
TOTAL	9.25	21.77
COMMUNITY PARK		
Triangle Park	8.79	0
Morris Park	0	4.58
Linden Tree Park	11.42	0
TOTAL	20.21	4.58
REGIONAL PARK		
Walla Walla Point Park	59.04	0
Confluence State Park	105.22	0
Ohme Gardens	42.30	0
TOTAL	206.56	0
NATURAL OPEN SPACE		
Horan Natural Area	97.90	0
Jacobsen Preserve	35.81	0
Homewater Property	596.69	0
Dry Gulch	0	685.0
Castle Rock	0	398.0
Other Chelan Douglas Land Trust Holdings	107.21	0
TOTAL	837.61	1,083.00
SPECIAL USE AREAS		
Abraham Lincoln Elementary School	4.12	0
Columbia Elementary School	6.38	0
John Newberry Elementary School	9.90	0
Lewis & Clark Elementary School	3.35	0
Mission View Elementary School	9.23	0
Sunnyslope Elementary School	4.56	0
Washington Elementary School	8.15	0
Foothills Middle School	16.43	0

Orchard Middle School	3.01	0
Pioneer Middle School	3.52	0
Wenatchee High School	37.08	0
Westside High School	7.02	0
Wenatchee Valley College	43.42	0
Recreation Park	5.40	0
King's Orchard Church	0	3.69
St. Joseph's Church	0	12.53
Wenatchee Free Methodist Church	0	7.95
Seventh Day Adventist Church	0	7.10
First Assembly of God Church	0	2.34
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	0	2.87
Appleatchee Riders	0	23.60
TOTAL	161.57	60.08
SPECIALIZED FACILITY TYPE	QUANTITY	QUANTITY
Trails	4.70	0
Pathways	3.60	0
Bikeways	0	0
Baseball Field	3	0
Youth Baseball Field	4	4
Outdoor Basketball Hoops	45	7
Football Field	4	0
Picnic Area	4	4
Play Area	6	8
Horseshoe Pitch	3	0
Outdoor Pool	1	7
Sand Volleyball Court	3	0
Regulation Soccer Field	5	1
Modified Soccer Field	14	3
Softball Field	10	1
Outdoor Tennis Court	19	12
Water Play Area	0	0
Equestrian Center	0	1
Boat Launch	2	0
Campground	1	0
Multi Use Field	9	8
Indoor Pool	1	1
Recreation Center	0	1
Ice Rink	2	0
Gymnasium	12	2
Racquetball Court	0	3
Rock Climbing Wall	0	2
Indoor Tennis Court	0	4
Weight/Fitness Room	1	6
Indoor Soccer Field	0	1

3.3 Habitats and Species

The planning area contains a variety of habitat types ranging from aquatic to shrub steppe with equally diverse plant and animal species.

3.3.1 Mule Deer Winter Range

The Wenatchee foothills provide a critical source of winter forage and springtime nourishment for mule deer in the planning area. Winter is a stressful time for mule deer, testing the animal's endurance and often reducing body weight by 30 percent over the course of the season.

Hard winters, characterized by below-average temperatures, deeper snowdrifts, and later snowmelts, are especially trying for mule deer populations, often resulting in large die-offs that can threaten the viability of the larger herd. Human activity and disturbance heightens stress on mule deer in the early spring when they are at their weakest. For this reason, access to habitat with limited human disturbance and nutritious foods such as energy-rich bitterbrush can make the difference between life and death.



Approximately 60 percent (9,700 acres) of the study area is considered moderate to-high suitability for mule deer winter range. Thirty-seven percent (3,580 acres) of this area is in public or protected private ownership (with a conservation easement), primarily concentrated in the Horse Lake and Saddle Rock areas. Other areas of high suitability, such as the north slopes of Number One and Number Two canyons and Fairview canyon are in private ownership.

3.3.2 Water Sources

While scarce, water sources are scattered throughout the foothills, providing critical nourishment for wildlife. Springs, seeps, wetlands, and areas along perennial or seasonal streams all serve an important role in providing drinking water, forage, and cover for a variety of birds, animals, and insects, composing the web of life in the foothills.

Water-related features are dispersed throughout the foothills, with a high concentration in the Horse Lake area, and along natural drainages that have been carved into the hillsides over time. Based on local knowledge and the best available data, approximately 19 natural springs, five wildlife accessible wells and four man-made troughs exist in the foothills. Ninety six acres of wetlands and 297 acres of identified riparian areas and woody draws provide additional sources of water and important habitat for wildlife. Woody draws are located within riparian areas but are generally not characterized by running water.

Over the years, man-made troughs maintained by groups such as the Wenatchee Sportsmen's Association or by public landowners such as Chelan County Public

Utility District, have been developed to sustain the water needs of larger fauna such as mule deer and elk.

3.3.3 Aquatic/Fish Resources

The confluence of the Wenatchee and Columbia Rivers is unique among sub basins in the upper Columbia region in that it supports the greatest diversity of populations and overall abundance of salmonids. There are core populations of sockeye salmon, steelhead, bull trout and both spring and later-run chinook salmon that are relatively strong, when compared to other populations in the Columbia basin.

The Washington state Salmon and Steelhead Stock Inventory (SASSI) has identified four spring chinook stocks in the Wenatchee sub basin. Spring chinook and steelhead trout are listed as endangered under the ESA. SASSI has also identified the Wenatchee River late-run chinook stock. It is likely that a fall run chinook salmon once used the lower Wenatchee River to varying extent, although very little information is available to substantiate this. For the purposes of this plan, fall and summer chinook life history types will be consolidated as late-run chinook. One stock of sockeye has been identified for this sub basin as well as one summer steelhead stock, the Wenatchee summer steelhead.



Indigenous Coho salmon no longer occur in the upper Columbia River region. By the early 1900s Coho salmon populations were already decimated by lower Columbia River harvest rates, impassable dams, unscreened irrigation diversions, logging, mining, grazing, and water use practices in the tributaries. Through current and substantial efforts by the Yakama Nation, naturally reproducing Coho salmon have been reintroduced into the Columbia Cascade Province. The restoration program is generally in its infancy but the Yakama Nation and other resource managers intend to continue and expand the re-introduction effort in the Province.

Pacific lamprey is known to exist in the Wenatchee sub basin but at this time there is no empirical information to suggest population abundance or distribution.

A number of resident fish are present in the planning area including adfluvial, fluvial and resident forms of bull trout. The upper Columbia distinct population

segment (DPS) of bull trout is listed as threatened under the federal ESA. Westslope cutthroat trout are fairly widespread within the sub basin, found mostly in the head water and higher elevation streams. Two species, the mountain sucker and Umatilla dace are Washington state priority habitat species and have state candidate listings.

3.3.4 Avians

The 97-acre Horan Natural Area, south of the Wenatchee River in the north east portion of the planning area, comprises one of the largest remaining black cottonwood stands on the Columbia River. This area is especially important for migrating birds, due to its location in the bottom of the Wenatchee Valley and substantial riparian and wetland habitat. Several local and state rare species have been observed and recorded here. Breeding habitat, although somewhat limited, supports several species.



Confirmed breeding species include: Wood Duck, Canada Goose, Mallard, Common Merganser, Osprey, Red-tailed Hawk, Ring-necked Pheasant, California Quail, Killdeer, Spotted Sandpiper, Wilson's Snipe, Mourning Dove, Downy Woodpecker, Western Wood-Pewee, Say's Phoebe, Western Kingbird, Eastern Kingbird, Tree Swallow, Cliff Swallow, Barn Swallow, Black-capped Chickadee, Gray Catbird, Yellow Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Song Sparrow, Black-headed Grosbeak, Red-winged Blackbird, Bullock's Oriole, House Finch, and American Goldfinch.

The Horan Natural Area is excellent for sparrows during migration and in winter. Species include: Lincoln's (often abundant in fall), Golden-crowned, White-crowned (common), White-throated (rare), Harris's (rare), Fox, American Tree, Vesper, and Savannah. Sparrows recorded only once or twice include: Baird's, Chipping, Brewer's, Clay-colored, and Lark, and also Lapland Longspur. Warbler numbers can reach extraordinary numbers, especially in late summer and early fall. Yellow-rumped (including fair numbers of Myrtle) and Orange-crowned



Warblers are the most common, with Nashville, Townsend's, Wilson's, and MacGillivray's sometimes in fair numbers; Magnolia Warbler, Black-throated Gray Warbler, American Redstart, Northern Waterthrush, and Yellow-breasted Chat have also been recorded. Other passerines recorded here include: Blue Jay, Purple

Martin, Hermit Thrush, Veery, Rusty Blackbird, and Gray, Least, Dusky, Willow, and Olive-sided Flycatchers.

Gulls, waterfowl, waders, and shorebirds occur along the river banks, especially in the large bay between Walla Walla Point Park and Horan Natural Area. Water levels fluctuate daily with limited shorebird habitat exposed at times. Nineteen species of gulls, terns, and allies have been recorded, including Parasitic and Pomarine Jaegers; Mew, Laughing, Little, and Sabine's Gulls; and Arctic Tern. Thirty-three species of waterfowl have been recorded including Red-breasted Merganser, Long-tailed Duck, White-winged and Surf Scoters, Eurasian Wigeon (regular), both swans, Brant, and Ross's Goose. Twenty-two species of shorebirds include both dowitchers, Whimbrel, Pectoral Sandpiper, and Dunlin. Other species include Yellow-crowned Night-Heron, Red-throated Loon, Clark's Grebe, Green Heron, Cattle Egret, and American Bittern.



Bald and Golden Eagles are regular in the winter, Black Swifts are occasionally observed in late summer (often during rain), and five species of falcons have been recorded, including Peregreine, Merlin (fairly common - two subspecies). A total of 224 species has been recorded in this area. (Seattle Audubon Society, WDFW).

The foothills host an equally diverse population of migratory and songbirds including: Brewer's sparrow, vesper sparrow, lark sparrow, meadowlark, Dusky (blue) grouse, Vaux's swifts, Lazuli bunting, eastern and western kingbird, black-headed grosbeak, yellow-breasted chat and many of those previously listed species.

3.3.5 Species and/or Communities with Special Status

A number of priority habitats, priority habitat features and priority wildlife species are found in the planning area. Many of the priority species rely on shoreline water bodies or riparian areas to meet certain life cycle requirements. WDFW maps do not capture every priority species location or habitat in the planning area however absence of mapping information does not indicate that a particular species does not or could not utilize the shoreline or adjacent lands.



Table 3.3.5 Species and Communities With Special Status Matrix

Habitats	Status
Shrub-Steppe Habitat	PH
Mule Deer Winter Range	PH
Riparian Zones	PH
Wetlands	PH
Aspen stands	PH
Talus Slopes	PHF
Cliffs	PHF
Snag Rich areas	PHF
Birds	Status
Bald Eagle	PS, FE
Osprey	PS,
Golden Eagle	PS
Dusky Grouse	PS
Chukar	PS
Wood Duck	PS
Harlequin Duck	PS
Common Loon	PS
Trumpeter Swan	PS
Sandhill Crane	PS
Great Blue Heron	PS
Spruce Grouse	PS
Vaux's Swift	PS
Mammals	Status
Mule Deer	PS
Bighorn Sheep	PS
Mountain Goat	PS
Lynx	PS, FE
Elk	PS
Western Gray Squirrel	PS
Fisher	PS
Marten	PS
Herptiles	Status
Cascade Frog	PS
Tailed Frog	PS
Columbia Spotted Frog	PS
Western Toad	PS
Racer	PS
Great Columbia Spire Snail	PS, FESC
Fish	Status
Pacific Lamprey	PS,FSC
White Sturgeon	PS
Leopard Dace	PS, SC
Umatilla Dace	PS, SC

Mountain Sucker	PS, SC
Bull Trout	PS, FT, SC
Chinook Salmon	PS, FE, SC
Coho Salmon	PS, SC
Kokanee Salmon	PS
Pygmy Whitefish	FSC, PS, SS
Rainbow Trout	PS
Steelhead Trout	PS, FT, SC
Sockeye Salmon	PS, SC
Westslope Cutthroat Trout	PS, FC

Key to Status Codes

Priority Habitat	PH
Priority Species	PS
Priority Habitat Features	PHF
State Candidate	SC
Federal Species of Concern	FSC
Federal Endangered	FE
Federal Threatened	FT
State Sensitive	SS
Federal Candidate	FC

3.3.6 Other Important Habitat Areas

Along with the priority habitats there are several other habitat types of significance identified in the planning area, including the Category 2 lower Wenatchee sub-watershed, high-elevation ponderosa-pine woodlands, lower elevations of sagebrush steppe and shrub land and riparian areas. Approximately 5,160 acres of immediately adjacent to study area includes ponderosa-pine woodlands, and 6,000 acres include sagebrush steppe or shrub land.

While not well inventoried, native plant communities thrive throughout the foothills. Some specific plants of note include the rare longsepal globemallow and wildflowers such as the arrowleaf balsamroot, silky lupine, and deathcamas.

With minimal vegetation management in some areas, the foothills are especially sensitive to the spread of invasive weeds such as diffuse knapweed, Russian knapweed, and whitetop. These—and other— invasives such as milfoil, threaten to overtake native plant communities. Unmanaged recreational use facilitates the spread of these weeds throughout the Foothills.

More than 650 acres of invasive annual grasslands are located in the planning area. While these data are coarse and need to be verified, they help to illustrate the invasive weed problem.



3.4 Summary of All Parks and Facilities

The following table includes all parks and recreation areas and facilities located within the service area by classification.

Table 3.4 Park and Facility Summary

PARK CLASSIFICATION TYPE	CITY ACRES	OTHER PUBLIC ACRES	SEMI PUBLIC/PRIVATE ACRES	TOTAL ALL
Neighborhood Park	12.30	9.25	21.77	43.32
Community Park	68.64	20.21	4.58	105.43
Regional Park	325.12	206.56	0	531.68
Natural Open Space	0	837.61	0	837.61
Special Use Areas	51.17	161.57	60.08	272.82
SPECIALIZED FACILITIES	QUANTITY	QUANTITY	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Trails	0.59	4.11	0	4.70
Pathways	3.89	0	0	3.89
Bikeways	3.60	0	0	3.60
Baseball Field	0	3	0	3
Youth Baseball Field	3	4	4	11
Outdoor Basketball Hoops	4	45	7	56
Football Field	0	4	0	4
Picnic Area	11	4	4	19
Play Area	7	6	8	21
Horseshoe Pitch	2	3	0	5
Outdoor Pool	1	1	7	9
Sand Volleyball Court	0	3	0	3
Regulation Soccer Field	4	5	1	10
Softball Field	0	10	1	11
Outdoor Tennis Court	0	19	12	31
Water Play Area	4	0	0	4
Equestrian Center	0	0	1	1
Boat Launch	1	2	0	3
Campground	0	1	0	1
Multi Use Field	4	9	8	21
Indoor Pool	0	1	1	2
Recreation Center	0	0	1	1
Ice Rink	0	2	0	2
Gymnasium	0	12	2	14
Racquetball Court	0	0	3	3
Rock Climbing Wall	0	0	2	2
Indoor Tennis Court	0	0	4	4
Weight/Fitness Room	0	1	6	7
Indoor Soccer Field	0	0	1	1

3.5 Evaluation of Facilities

Each City of Wenatchee park and recreation facility underwent a thorough evaluation as part of the development of the parks, Open Space and Recreation Plan. The evaluation

examined elements such as access, condition of facilities, operational issues and future development potential. Each of these park areas are contained on individual project worksheets in the Capital Investment Plan section.

3.6 Public, Semi Private, and Private Art

Wenatchee has over 70 organizations providing performances, visual arts and cultural experiences in addition to public and private educational institutions.

There are three basic forms in which art and art programs are provided. They are public, semi-private and private.

Public Art is defined as artworks that are owned and displayed in areas or facilities that are open to the public such as City park areas or facilities. An example of public art work is the Apple Blossom sculpture that is located at the foot of Orondo Street. An example of public performance art are concerts in the park that are open to the public and are free to attend.



Semi Private Artworks are typically owned by individuals or businesses, but available for viewing by the general public. An example of this type of artwork are many murals located throughout the community on privately owned buildings. An example of a semi private performance art is a concert or play which is made available to the general public through the sale of tickets.

Private Art is artwork that is both owned and displayed for an individual's personal benefit. This may include artwork located inside private residences or businesses that are owned by the individual. Performance art are private, invitation only events.

3.7 Types and Inventory of Artwork

There are several types of artworks and locations for experiencing art in the community. This section summarizes these types and includes an inventory of those that were able to be located.

3.7.1 Performing Arts Venues and Programs

Performing arts are art forms in which artists use their voices and/or the movements of their bodies, often in relation to other objects, to convey artistic expression. There are a variety of venues that this form of artistic expression and programming takes place in the valley ranging from large outdoor stages to studios.



Table 3.7.1 Performing Arts Venues

VENUE NAME	ADDRESS
Centennial Park Stage	130 South Wenatchee Avenue
Lincoln Park Stage	1410 South Mission Street
Numerica Performing Arts Center	123 North Wenatchee Avenue
Riverside Playhouse	233 North Wenatchee Avenue
Wenatchee High School	1101 Millerdale Avenue
Ohme Gardens	3327 Ohme Road
Wenatchee Valley College	1300 Fifth Street
Mission Creek Theater	1 South Wenatchee Avenue
Town Toyota Center	1300 Walla Walla Avenue

3.7.2 Performing Arts Programs

There are a variety of businesses, organizations and individuals that offer performing arts programs in the community. Programs change regularly and so the following should not be viewed as a comprehensive listing, rather a snapshot in time of those that could be located.

Table 3.7.2 Performing Arts Programs

PROGRAM NAME	ADDRESS
Magic City Dance Theatrical	23 Orondo
Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center	127 South Mission Street
Wenatchee Valley College	1300 Fifth Street
Wenatchee Valley Symphony	33 North Mission Street
Mission Street Players	1 South Wenatchee Avenue
Wenatchee Irish Dance	151 Orondo Street
Music Theater of Wenatchee	233 B North Wenatchee Avenue
Wenatchee School District	235 Sunset Highway
Dream Alley Studios	10 South Columbia street #205
The Next Step Dance Studio	108 1st Street
Joan Shelton School of Ballet	123 North Wenatchee Avenue
Dance Creations	701 Poplar Avenue
Fabulous Feet Dance Studio	1833 North Wenatchee Avenue
Craft Warehouse	1370 North Miller Street
Elite Needle Work	205 North Chelan Avenue
Inspirations Ceramic & Art Cafe	400 9th Street
Avalon Music	532 North Wenatchee Avenue
Columbia River Music Conservatory	1011 South Miller Street
Fruit Tones Studio	
Jeanne Lodge Studio	1010 Idaho Street

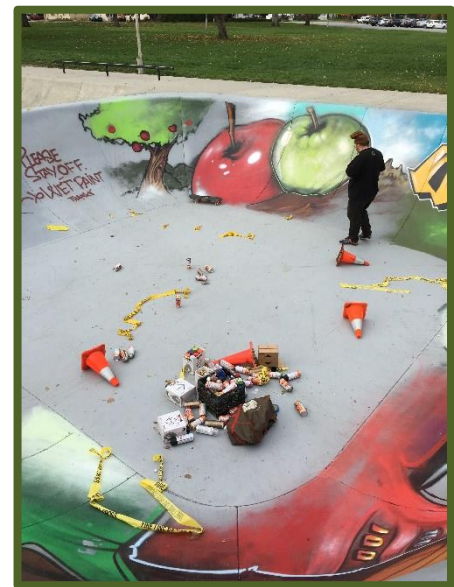
3.7.3 Murals

A mural is a painting or other large art work that is typically applied to and made integral with a wall or ceiling surface. Wenatchee is fortunate to have a variety of high quality murals in the community.



Table 3.7.3 Murals

LOCATIONS
1 Orondo Street
9th Street Railroad Crossing
13 Wenatchee Avenue
228 North Chelan Avenue
501 South Miller Street
531 South Miller Street
617 Methow Street
1422 Miller Street
Centennial Park
Pioneer Park Skate Area
Chelan Avenue and Kittitas Street
Intersection of Ferry Street and Chelan Avenue
Intersection of Ferry Street and Okanogan
Intersection of Mission Avenue and Palouse Street
Intersection of Peachy Street and Methow Street
Riverfront Center parking lot at Worthen Street
Walla Walla Point Park Handball Courts
201 South Wenatchee Avenue
Riverside Trail



3.7.4 Sculptures



Sculptures are defined as a three dimension work of art that is produced by carving, modeling, or welding clay, stone, metal, plastic or hard material. Along with the City of Wenatchee Public Art Collection, there are other organizations within the City of Wenatchee that own and provide sculptures for the enjoyment of residents and visitors to the community including Arts on the Avenues and private businesses. The following is a listing of the sculptures in the Public Art Collection. It is subject to change.

Table 3.7.4 Sculptures

TITLE	ARTIST LAST NAME	LOCATION
Coyote Leading the Salmon	Beyers	Walla Walla Point Park
Wenatchee Center Water Feature	Danadijeva	Wenatchee Convention Center
Coyote Reading a Candy Wrapper	Beyers	Mission Street in front of Museum
Listen La Lune	Grant	Centennial Park
Hidden Springs	Thomsen Smith	Wenatchee Valley Museum
Great Blue Herron	Matia	Wenatchee Convention Center Plaza
Single Point	Pettgugue	Wenatchee Convention Center
Winter's Rest	Thomsen Smith	Wenatchee City Hall
Noah with Raven	Kogan	Wenatchee City Hall
Chance Encounter with a Long Tailed Weasel	Daiber	Mission and Yakima Street corner
Snow Bears	Reese	Wenatchee Library
Coyote	Klennert	Palouse and Wenatchee Avenue
Preening	Baker	Public Services Center
Mountain Spirit	Reese	Hedeen Plaza
Elberta Lady	N/A	Wenatchee Valley Museum
Harvest Moon Ball	Gerber	Wenatchee Library
Puffed Up Prince	Price	Wenatchee Library
Hampton	Reese	Memorial Park
Confluence	Delory	Wenatchee Convention Center
Perfect on Petra	Matteson	Wenatchee Convention Center Plaza
Crouching Man	Pettelle	Wenatchee Museum
Sunrise	Osborne	Wenatchee Convention Center Plaza
Rattlesnake Canyon	Weagant	Wenatchee City Hall
Guppo	Petelle	South Chelan Avenue near YMCA
Tempus Fugit	Uchytel	Centennial Park
Reflections	Hansen	Riverwalk Bridge
Souls in Stone	N/A	Wenatchee Library

Circle of Life	N/A	Wenatchee Community Center
Welcome to Wenatchee	Clemons	North Wenatchee Avenue and Horselake Road
Glasscade	Braun	Public Services Center
Fan Wheel Knob	Braun	Public Services Center
In Situ	Braun	Public Services Center
Pinnacles	Braun	Public Services Center
Sand Dollar	Braun	Public Services Center
Neptunes Gallery	Braun	Public Services Center
Wine River	Braun	Public Services Center
Structural Functionalism	Braun	Public Services Center
When Two Rivers Meet	Van Slyke	Public Services Center
Convergence	Stasz	Riverside Drive and 5th Roundabout
Welcome to Wenatchee	Clemons	South Wenatchee Avenue and George Sellar Bridge
Bio filtration Bed	Law	Sewer Treatment Plant
Water Wall	Law	Sewer Treatment Plant
Apple Blossom Monument	Whitesavage	Orondo Street near train tracks
Spirit Flight	Newcome	Memorial Park near courthouse
Labrador Retriever	Gerber	Wenatchee Avenue near Performing Arts Center
South Chelan Sidewalk Banners		South Chelan Street, South of the Community Center

3.7.5 Utility Box Art

In an effort to promote public art and increase cultural awareness, the City of Wenatchee Arts Commission began the utility box art program, “Out of the Box”, with funding from the 1% for Art Fund. There are 50 utility boxes located throughout the City, many of which may be utilized for art projects. The goal of the program is to have local artists transform the utility boxes from utilitarian structures into vibrant works of art to contribute to the attractiveness of the urban streetscape. This program helps tell the story of our community, allows public art to reach into specific neighborhoods and provide an opportunity for participation by schools and other community groups.



Completed projects may be found at: the corner of 5th and Western, the Town Toyota Center, Lincoln Park, at the corner of Miller and Cherry; and at the corner of Chelan Avenue and Orondo Street.

3.7.6 Galleries and other locations containing art works

There are a number of locations in Wenatchee that are art galleries or serve a similar function as a gallery in that they display a variety art.

Table 3.7.6 Galleries

NAME	ADDRESS
Wenatchee Public Library	310 Douglas Street
Wenatchee Valley College	1300 Fifth Street
Wenatchee Public Services Center	1350 McKittrick Street
Wenatchee Wastewater Treatment Plant	210 North Worthen Street
Jan Cook Mack Studio	529 Easy Street
Wenatchee City Hall	129 South Chelan Avenue
Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center	127 South Mission Street
Lila Putnam Gallery	230 South Columbia
Chelan County Public Utility District	327 N. Wenatchee Avenue
Numerica Performing Arts Center	123 N. Wenatchee Avenue
Two Rivers Gallery	102 North Columbia
Central Washington Hospital	1201 South Miller Street
Wenatchee Valley Medical Center	820 North Chelan Avenue

3.7.7 Arts Education and Enrichment Programs

There are a variety of businesses, organizations and individuals that offer arts education programs and services in the community. From organized classes and workshops to individual private lessons, there are many to choose from. Programs change



regularly and so the following should not be viewed as a comprehensive listing, rather a list snapshot in time of those that could be located.

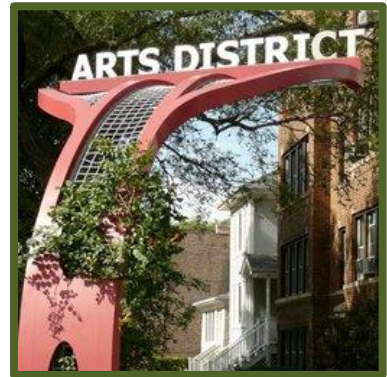
Table 3.7.7 Arts Programs

NAME	ADDRESS
Inspirations Ceramics and Arts Studio	400 9 th Street
Wenatchee Public Library	310 Douglas Street
Class with a Glass	10 South Columbia Street
Wenatchee Valley YMCA	217 Orondo Avenue
Wenatchee Valley College	1300 Fifth Street
City of Wenatchee	1350 McKittrick Street
Avalon Music	532 N. Wenatchee Avenue
Wenatchee School District	235 Sunset Avenue

Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center	127 South Mission Street
Two Rivers Gallery	102 North Columbia Street
Fabulous Feet	1833 N. Wenatchee Avenue
McDees Art Center	30 North Chelan Avenue
Dream Alley Studios	10 S Columbia St #205
Academy of Dance & Performing	2619 Euclid Avenue
Dance Creations	701 Poplar Avenue
The Next Step Dance Studio	108 First Street
Pybus Market	3 N Worthen Street
Wenatchee Irish Dance	10 South Columbia Street

3.7.7 Art and Cultural Zones or Districts

Art or cultural districts are special zones that harness the power of cultural resources to stimulate economic development and community revitalization. These districts can become focal points for generating businesses, attracting tourists, stimulating cultural development and fostering civic pride. A thriving creative sector is a powerful economic development asset. Art and cultural district development is one strategy that helps a community boost their economies while realizing other cultural and civic benefits. The outcomes of cultural districts extend beyond the arts and benefit all members of a community. Goals may include:



Attracting artists and cultural enterprises to the community. Artists, cultural institutions and creative enterprises all contribute to a community's economic potential. Not only do they generate direct economic activity, but artists and creative entrepreneurs infuse communities with energy and innovation.

Encouraging business and job development. Cultural districts can create a hub of economic activity that contributes to the community being an appealing place to live, visit and conduct business. A thriving cultural scene helps an area to prosper when consumers drawn to cultural attractions patronize other nearby businesses. This can result in the creation of new economic opportunities and jobs.

Address specific needs of a community. Cultural districts are a highly adaptable economic development approach that allows a community to make use of unique conditions, assets and opportunities.

Establishing tourism destinations. Cultural districts are marketable tourism assets that highlight the distinct identity of a community and encourage in-state, out of state, and international visitors.

Preserving and reusing historic buildings. Some cultural districts are very involved in historic preservation. Adaptive reuse and rehabilitation of older buildings through preservation tax credits can result in structural and façade improvements. These rehabilitated buildings provide opportunities for affordable artist live/work space and new homes for cultural organizations.



Enhancing property values. Successful districts combine improvements to public spaces (such as parks, waterfronts and pedestrian corridors) along with property development. The redevelopment of abandoned properties, historic sites, and recruiting businesses to occupy vacant spaces can contribute to reduced vacancy rates and enhanced property values.

Fostering local cultural development. The establishment of a cultural district provides a focal point for celebrating and strengthening a community's cultural identity. Cultural districts highlight existing cultural amenities and work to recruit and establish new artists, cultural industries and organizations.

There are currently no specifically designated arts or cultural zones or districts within the planning area.

3.8 City Recreation Programs

The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department coordinates a variety of recreation programs and special events throughout the community. Programs are designed to: Strengthen community image and create a sense of place; Support tourism and economic development; Foster human development and teach life skills; Promote health and wellness; Increase cultural



unity; and increase a participant's self-esteem and self-reliance. Program classifications include: Athletics/Fitness, Aquatics, Outdoor Recreation, Special Events, Special Needs Programs and Youth Recreation. City recreation programs currently include:

Wading Pool Program.

The park wading pool program has been in existence since the 1960's. Recreation staff led fun activities including: Games, arts and crafts and wading pool activities. The free program provides a cool respite from the summer heat and safe, supervised activities for children. The program was held



Monday through Friday from 1:00-5:00pm at Pennsylvania, Washington and Kiwanis-Methow Parks. Staff is also provided at the Rotary Park Splash Pad.

Family Canoe Adventures. These free paddling trips were designed to introduce participants to canoeing. Volunteers from the Wenatchee Row and Paddle Club teach the basics of paddling a canoe on land and the Columbia River. The program is held on two Saturdays in April and May.

Guided Snow Shoe Hikes For Families. This is a very popular, family oriented program where participants learn the basics of snowshoe hiking on local trails.



Hiking and Nature Camp. This camp is led by Chelan Douglas Land Trust staff. 3rd through 5th grade participants are guided along trails in the Wenatchee Foothills and covered topics about the natural environment.

Guided Nature Hikes. The City partners with the Chelan Douglas Land Trust to host free family-friendly hikes on Saturdays in the spring and fall in the Wenatchee foothills. The hikes feature discussions about insects, animal tracking and fire science.



Spring Break Row and Paddle Camp. The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department partners with the Wenatchee Row and Paddle Club to provide this fun camp. Participants learn life skills, the fundamentals of canoe and kayak paddling through four sessions on land and on the Columbia River and about their environment. It is open to 4th through 8th graders.



Special Olympic Sports. Special Olympics was founded on the belief that all individuals with cognitive disabilities can benefit from athletic activities. The City coordinates several Special Olympic sport programs for local athletes. Sports included: Golf, softball, soccer, bowling, cycling, alpine and cross country skiing, snowboarding, figure and speed skating, swimming, basketball, powerlifting, track and field. Both teams and individuals compete at local, regional and State levels.

Special Needs Social Program. The Award Winning, Special Needs Social Program is supported through a grant from the Chelan Douglas Developmental Disabilities Program. It provides a unique recreational opportunity for individuals to build relationships and participate in community events. Activities occur approximately twice each month at various locations in and around the Wenatchee Valley. Some of the activities include: Valentine's Day Dance; Donkey Basketball Game Trip; Cosmic Bowling; Game, pie and pizza nights; A trip to the NCW Fair and Applesox Game; Ice skating; Ice cream social; Art in the park; Gardening night; Apple Blossom Food Fair trip; Family picnic; Halloween dance; Billiards night and Holiday potluck and party.



Fall Into Fitness. The Fall Into Fitness Program is a ten session exercise program for individuals with special needs with the goal of helping to keep participants in shape for the winter sports season or to shed a few pounds before the holidays.



Women's Volleyball League

The competitive women's volleyball league is held at Foothills Middle School on Tuesday evenings February through April.



Polar Plunge. The Polar Plunge is a unique opportunity for individuals, organizations, and businesses to support local Special Olympics athletes by jumping into the frigid waters of the Columbia River. Their efforts raise money to support local Special Olympic athletes.



Summer Concert Series. Live music is held on Saturday nights from mid-July through August in Centennial Park. Audiences average approximately 350 people per performance throughout the summer. The program is able to be offered through donations and financial sponsorships.



O'Terry's Softball Tournament. The O'Terry's softball tournament is held mid-summer at Walla Walla Point Park. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the programs sponsored by the Wenatchee Valley Sports Foundation including the City scholarship program, Special Olympics and others.

Movie in the Park. This program allows families to gather and have an outdoor movie watching experience under the stars. The family friendly movie is shown in Lincoln Park in early September.

Bundle Up Fest. The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department partners with the Wenatchee Downtown Association to celebrate winter recreation opportunities in the Wenatchee Valley by hosting The Bundle Up Fest at the Wenatchee Convention Center Plaza. The event is held in January and features: The Bundle Up 5k Fun Run, vendors, crafts, and bonfire.



Washington State Special Olympics Winter Games. The City is the primary event coordinator for the Washington State Special Olympics Winter Games. They games are the first full weekend in March. Athletes from across the Pacific Northwest compete in basketball, alpine skiing, snowboarding, Nordic skiing, figure and speed skating.

The games attract thousands of athletes, coaches, volunteers and family members and friends to the Wenatchee Valley. Following the opening ceremonies at the Town Toyota Center, athletic competitions are held at Wenatchee School District Gyms, Mission Ridge, Leavenworth Fish Hatchery and the Town Toyota Center.

Halloween Carnival. Participants come in costume and play carnival games, eat treats and make crafts at this traditional Halloween event. The carnival is sponsored by local businesses and relies heavily on donations and volunteers. The carnival is designed to be a safe and fun way to spend Halloween. It is held at the Convention Center.



Basketball Camp. Skyhawks basketball breaks down the exhilarating sport into fundamental skills that all athletes, no matter their ability level, need to succeed. Coaches lead athletes through game-speed drills and exercises, focusing on ball handling, passing, shooting, defense, and rebounding. Athletes put their skills to the test in an end-of-the-week tournament. All participants receive a basketball, t-shirt and a merit award. The camp is for boys and girls ages 7-12.

Summer Day Camp. The Summer Day Camp program is held over a ten week period starting in June after school is dismissed for the year. Activities include field trips, arts and crafts, games, swimming, indoor and outdoor activities and more. The program is for children exiting Kindergarten through 5th grade. The program is held at the Assembly of God Church with daily off site field trips.



Indoor Playground. Indoor Playground is a popular program designed for toddlers and their parents to play and socialize in a warm place during the cold winter months. The program is held at the Pybus Public Market. The program was held November through March, Monday through Thursday mornings from 10:00-12:00pm.



Youth Tennis Lessons. Youth Tennis Lessons are designed for the novice player, ages 7 and older. Lessons focus on tennis fundamentals, including ground strokes, serve and volley-play. As the City has no tennis courts of it's own, lessons are held at the PUD's Walla Walla Point Park over a three week period in the summer.



Flag Football Camp. The camp teaches boys and girls skills on both sides of the line of scrimmage including the core components of passing, catching and defense—all in a fun and positive environment. The camp is for ages 6-12.



Soccer Camp. The camp teaches young athletes the fundamental skills of soccer through fun games and exercises and includes daily swimming to help beat the heat. Participants test their new expertise in skills and strategy through interactive group activities and scrimmages. The camp includes a leather soccer ball and t-shirt. It is open to boys and girls ages 7-12.



Golf Camp. Skyhawks Golf focuses on building the confidence of young athletes through proper technique and refining the essential skills of the game of golf. To assist in this training, Skyhawks adopted the SNAG (Starting New At Golf) system developed by PGA professionals. It simplifies instruction so young players can make an easy transition onto the golf course.

Tiny Hawk Soccer Camp. Designed for beginning players, this camp focuses on dribbling, passing, shooting and ball control. By the end of the camp participants learn new life skills such as teamwork and sportsmanship, make new friends and improved their skills. The camp is for ages 3-4 and is held at Walla Walla Point Park.

Mini-Hawk Camp. The Mini-Hawk program helps young children explore soccer, baseball, and basketball in a day camp setting. There is no pressure, just lots of fun, while young athletes participate in all three sports through unique Skyhawks games. The week long camp is held at Walla Walla Point Park. It is for ages 4-7.



Multi-Sport Camp. This multi-sport program was developed to give children ages 7 to 10 a positive first step into athletics. The essentials of baseball, flag football and soccer are taught in a safe, structured environment with lots of encouragement and a focus on fun. The camp is held at Walla Walla Point Park.

Youth Instructional Basketball Program. The Youth Instructional Basketball program is a fun, introductory basketball program for children in third through fifth grades. The program is designed to teach and basketball skills and techniques. The program is held October through December in Wenatchee School District gymnasiums.



3.9 Identification of Core Programs

Program criteria were developed to help distinguish “core” (versus extraneous) programs and services. Applied to a list of all of the current programs and services, the criteria helps focus resources on those areas most critical to residents and visitors and help achieve financial sustainability. Further, from a tax payer perspective it helps to justify the City’s investment in providing programs and services that enhance the quality of life and livability of the community. Programs were assessed based on their CURRENT state only without introducing hypothetical factors.

A Core Program meets or exceeds 65% of the criteria below.

1. Does the program/service align with the Mission and Vision of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department?

Mission: To build a healthy community through people, parks and programs.

Vision: Partner with the community to provide innovative and high value parks, facilities, and programs and services that promote an engaged and healthy community.

2. The program has been provided by the City for a long period of time (15 years or longer) and has grown to be expected by the community.
3. The core program consumes a large portion of the appropriate division budget (recreation, aquatics, community center etc.) to deliver the program (staffing, supplies/materials) and has revenue sustainability.
4. Participation in the program/service is at 80% or more of its program capacity each season it is offered.
5. The program is experienced by a broad range (age and other demographics) of community residents.
6. There are tiered levels of skill development available within the program.
7. Full-time staff or contractors are dedicated and responsible for the actual execution of the program.
8. Recreation facilities are designed specifically to support the program.
9. The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department currently controls a significant percentage (20% or more) of the program market locally.

10. The program has been in a growth or mature stage of its lifecycle for a long period of time and has long-term participation appeal. A program cycle will begin with a growth phase, plateau at a mature stage (healthy participation) and then decline downward (reduction in participation) to a program end.
11. The program requires high levels of customer interface (1 staff to 10 participants or less).
12. The program has a strong social value that is part of a solution to a community problem. (e.g. health, crime rate, social isolation, education...)
13. The program has strong economic appeal and a high resident benefit that creates a strong return on investment (ROI) for the City (e.g., tourism activities, business development, and revenue development).
14. The program has a high partnering capability (e.g., matching funds, renting a facility or partnering in the development of a facility, program, or event).
15. 90% or more of the participants are residents of Wenatchee.

3.9.1 Core Programs

The following are the results from the core program assessment based on the criteria listed above. Core programs include: Youth Recreational Basketball, Swimming Lessons, Park Wading Pool Program, Family Outdoor Adventures, Snow Shoe Hike Series, Concert in the Park Series, Special Olympics State Winter Games, Halloween Carnival, Special Needs Social Program and Special Olympic Sports.

3.9.2 Non-Core Programs

Non-Core Programs does not mean that they are non-essential, but it requires that the Department manage them from a slightly different perspective. These programs tend to focus more on the individual value obtained by a user that is over and above what a general taxpayer may receive. Given these conditions, it is imperative that the users share a greater burden of the program costs to help ensure the financial sustainability of the program. Non-Core Programs include: Youth Tennis Lessons, Basketball Camp, Soccer Camp, Mini Hawk Camp, Multi Sport Camp, Golf Camp, Tiny Hawk Camp, Women's Volleyball, Spring Break Paddle Camp, Bundle Up Festival, Movies in the Park, Polar Plunge, Fall Into Fitness, Spring Into Fitness, Indoor Playground and Summer Day Camp.



3.10 Public, Private or Merit Programs

The following are definitions and classifications for Public, Private and Merit programs.

3.10.1 Public Services

Public services normally have low level or no user fees associated with their consumption. The cost for providing these services is borne by the general tax base. Public services are those services that the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department offers that provide all users the same level of opportunity to access the service. An example of a Public Services program is a free community event.

3.10.2 Merit Services

Merit Services can be priced using either a partial overhead pricing strategy or a variable cost pricing strategy. Partial overhead pricing strategies recover all direct operating costs and some determined portion of indirect costs. The portion of indirect costs not recovered by the price established represents the tax subsidy.

Merit Services are generally those where the user receives a higher level of benefit than the general taxpayer, yet the taxpayer may indirectly benefit as the service helps to provide a more livable community. Examples of Merit Services are: Youth sports, after-school programs, and special events.

3.10.3 Private Services

Private Services are those that the user of the service is the only one that receives benefits from using the service. In these cases a full cost recovery strategy is usually implemented. The price of the particular service is intended to recover all direct and indirect costs associated with the service. Examples of Private Services are: Facility rentals for private functions.

3.11 Program Classifications

Using the above criteria and categories, existing programs and services are classified as follows:

3.11.1 Core Public

Family Outdoor Adventures, Park Wading Pool Program, Concerts in the Park, Special Olympics State Winter Games and Halloween Carnival.

3.11.2 Core Merit

Youth Recreation Basketball, Swimming Lessons, Special Needs Social Program, Special Olympic Sports and Snow Shoe Hike Series.

3.11.3 Non-Core Public

Bundle Up Festival and Movie in the Park Series.

3.11.4 Non-Core Merit

Youth Tennis Lessons, Women's Volleyball, Fall Into Fitness, Spring Into Fitness, Summer Day Camp, Indoor Playground, Junior Rowing Camp, Spring Break Paddle Camp, Skyhawks Basketball Camp, Skyhawks Soccer Camp, Skyhawks Mini Hawk Camp, Skyhawks Multi Sport Camp, Skyhawks Golf Camp, and Skyhawks Tiny Hawk Camp.

3.12 Program Participation

Table 3.12 Recreation Program Participation History

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
ATHLETICS/FITNESS						
Hershey Track and Field	103	108	96	111	118	124
Youth Tennis Lessons	17	42	57	66	54	36
Youth Recreation Basketball League	0	0	110	169	191	175
Skyhawks Basketball Camp	49	55	42	45	51	42
Skyhawks Soccer Camp	76	81	29	21	30	36
Skyhawks Mini Hawk Camp	49	39	40	24	34	25
Skyhawks Multi Sport Camp	0	0	0	0	0	25
Skyhawks Golf Camp	0	0	0	0	0	16
Women's Volleyball	0	0	62	62	100	100
Youth Volleyball Camp	0	0	0	18	0	0
AQUATICS						
Swimming Lessons	N/A	427	580	458	575	648
OUTDOOR RECREATION						
Outdoor Family Adventures	88	110	209	60	79	116
Wading Pool Program	3,938	4,000	4,200	3,531	4,594	4,725
Junior Row and Paddle Camp	0	0	0	0	0	3
Spring Break Paddle Camp	0	0	0	0	0	13
Snow Shoe Hikes For Families	0	0	0	0	0	148
SPECIAL EVENTS						
Halloween Carnival	1,200	1,500	1,500	1,700	2,300	2,350
Winter Flake Festival	1,000	1,200	1,500	1,500	1,500	0
Special Olympics Winter Games	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	4,608
Movies in the Park	625	680	850	925	900	1,620
Friday Night Concerts	1,365	1,500	1,255	2,085	2,350	2,215
Tardeadas	0	0	5,850	6,000	6,200	0
Independence Day Celebration	11,000	11,000	11,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS						
Special Needs Social Program	955	975	1,300	1,081	1,130	653
Polar Bear Plunge	0	0	0	25	50	28
Special Olympics Sports	117	125	150	168	165	121

Fall Into Fitness	0	25	25	25	30	22
Spring Fitness	0	0	0	0	0	19
Junior Special Olympics Day	0	0	0	0	26	0
YOUTH RECREATION						
	20	10	10	0	0	0
Summer Day Camp	N/A	N/A	377	401	426	407
Indoor Playground	0	377	1,009	675	732	261
Night Court	720	2,280	1,020	16	0	0
After School Action	0	0	750	731	1,424	229
	0	170	410	0	0	0
TOTAL PARTICIPATION	26,322	29,704	37,431	34,897	38,059	28,765

3.13 Non-City Recreation Programs

There are a variety of businesses, organizations and individuals that offer recreation programs in the community. Programs change regularly and so the following should not be viewed as a comprehensive listing, rather a snapshot in time of those that could be located at the time of plan preparation.



Table 3.13 Non-City Recreation Program

PROGRAM/BUSINESS	ADDRESS
ATHLETICS/FITNESS	
American Legion Baseball	PO Box 3595
Greater Wenatchee Babe Ruth	
Wenatchee Applesox	610 N Mission Street # 204
Wenatchee Youth Baseball	1117 Cherry Street
Wenatchee Fall Ball	
Wenatchee AAU Basketball	
Co-ed Hockey	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Curling	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Men's over 35 Hockey	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Wenatchee Amateur Hockey Association	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Wenatchee Valley Lacrosse	
Wenatchee Figure Skating Club	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Town Toyota Center Public Skating	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Women's Banshees Hockey	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Wenatchee Wildfire Women's Hockey	1300 Walla Walla Avenue
Wenatchee Racquet and Athletic Club	1913 Skyline Drive
Run Wenatchee	
Apple Valley Gymnastics	230 South Columbia Street # 3
SPORT Gymnastics	10 South Columbia Street
Wenatchee Fire FC	PO Box 2143
Wenatchee Soccer Club	wenatcheesoccer@gmail.com

Jack and Jill Softball	jackjill@applevalleysoftball.org
Adventure Wenatchee	16 South Wilson Street
Greater Wenatchee Girls Softball Association Softball League	PO Box 351
NCW Volleyball Club	PO Box 4611
Wenatchee Wrestling Club	1101 Millerdale Street
Wenatchee Valley Velo	PO Box 1991
Wenatchee Senior Activity Center	1312 Maple Street
Mission Ridge Ski and Snowboard Resort	7500 Mission Ridge Road
Revolution Snowboards and Skateboards	246 North Wenatchee Avenue
Anytime Fitness	950 North Wenatchee Avenue
CrossFit	120 South Columbia Street
Fit City	1544 North Wenatchee Avenue
Golds Gym	12 North Worthen Street
Osborn Performance Systems	219 South Wenatchee Avenue
Pulse Barra Studio	320 North Wenatchee Avenue
The Gym LLC	221 North Wenatchee Avenue
The Inner Circle Gym	525 North Pierre Street
Workout Warehouse	244 North Wenatchee Avenue
Chief Fitness Kickboxing	10 South Columbia Street, 3rd Floor
Ki Fighting Concept	4 Kittitas Street # 101
Valley Moo Duk Kwan Martial Arts	941 Washington Street
Wenatchee Combat Systems	222 1/2 North Wenatchee Avenue
Wenatchee School of Karate	1517 North Miller Street
iLa Yoga	13 Orondo Avenue
Jazzercise Wenatchee Studio	4 North Mission Street
Serene Moments	
AQUATICS	
Wenatchee Valley YMCA	217 Orondo Avenue
Wenatchee Racquet and Athletic Club	1913 Skyline Drive
Velocity Swimming	
OUTDOOR RECREATION	
Chelan Douglas Land Trust	18 North Wenatchee Avenue
Adventure Wenatchee	16 South Wilson Street
Wenatchee Row and Paddle Club	Wenatcheepaddle.org
Run Wenatchee	
SPECIAL EVENTS	
Fiestas Mexicanas	
Washington State Apple Blossom Festival	2 South Chelan Avenue
Harvest Festival	
YOUTH RECREATION	
Appleatchee Riders	1130 Circle Street
Boys Scouts	213 North Chelan Avenue
Brethren Baptist Church United	535 Okanogan Avenue
Calvary Bible Church	605 First Street
Camp Fire USA NCW Council	PO Box 1734
Christian Revival Center	761 Methow Street

Church of Christ King's Orchard	1610 Orchard Avenue
Corner Stone Christian Church	12 North Chelan Avenue
Crossroad CrossFire	1301 Maple Street
Grace Lutheran Church	1408 Washington Street
Living Hope Community Church	11 North Chelan Avenue
River of Life Foursquare Church	20 South Wenatchee
Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church	1400 South Miller Street
Sage Hills Church	1601 Fifth Street
Seventh Day Adventist Church	508 North Western Avenue
Wenatchee School District	
St. Joseph Catholic Church of Wenatchee	625 Elliott South Ave. Wenatchee, WA 98801
St. Luke's Wenatchee	428 King St. Wenatchee, WA 98801
Wenatchee Valley YMCA	217 Orondo Street
Wenatchee First Assembly of God	1520 McKittrick St. Wenatchee, WA 98801
Wenatchee Valley Baptist Church	941 Washington Street
Wenatchee Racquet and Athletic Club	1913 Skyline Drive
Young Life	1220 South Miller Street
Confluence Health	820 North Chelan Avenue
Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center	127 South Mission Street
Lowes	1200 Walla Walla Avenue
The Home Depot	1405 Maiden Lane

